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Dodd Condemns Slap at Friends Unit

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Sen. Thomas J. Dodd (D-Conn.) criticized the Senate Internal Security subcommittee staff yesterday for distributing a publication that described the American Friends Service Committee as "a well-known transmission belt for the Communist apparatus."

Dodd is Vice Chairman of the subcommittee. He told the Senate he had asked that distribution of the study, titled "The Techniques of Soviet Propaganda," be halted.

He said the updated edition of an original 1960 publication had not been submitted for approval of Subcommittee members. The main body of the study was a survey by a French journalist, Suzanne Labin.

The Connecticut Senator's

view was supported by several other Senators.

Sen. Sam J. Ervin (D-N.C.) told the Senate he was "not consulted" and had "no knowledge" of the slap at the American Friends Service Committee written into the publication. He said the statement was unjust to an organization he had always admired.

Dodd told the Senate the publication also had made a critical reference to the nuclear test-ban treaty. He took exception to this, saying he was "strongly opposed" to any "condemnation of this treaty in any study of Soviet propaganda."

Sen. Joseph S. Clark (D-Pa.) said he also wanted to associate himself with Dodd's

stand, as did Sen. Clifford P. Case (R-N.J.).

"I think that counsel for the Internal Security Subcommittee is entitled to criticism for what has been done," Clark said.

Jay Sourwine, chief counsel of the Subcommittee, said that as a Senate employee he could not comment on anything said by a Senator.